

FRENCH MAKE FRESH PROGRESS AT TWO POINTS

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GERMAN AIRMEN DELIBERATELY BOMB A HOSPITAL—RED CROSS FLAG WHICH THEY COULD NOT HELP SEEING.



Convalescents searching for fuses.—(Official photograph.)



Where a bomb fell between two lines of wards.—(Official.)



Here the bomb made a small hole between the pillow and the Red Cross card.—(Official photograph.)



A large Red Cross flag covered with debris from the explosion of three bombs which fell within twenty-five yards. The holes are beyond.—(Official photograph.)

"It is evident that the enemy bombarded the hospitals intentionally," said a Serbian official communiqué in reporting how a German aeroplane squadron, in raiding Salonika, devoted its attention to the field hospitals outside the town. Three of the bombs

almost hit the flag which was spread on the ground to indicate to flying men the nature of the camp. Fortunately, there were not many patients there at the time, while some of the sisters had marvellous escapes.



## 5oz. OF MEAT FOR HOTEL MEALS.

### New Drastic Regulations by the Food Controller.

#### • POTATOLESS DAYS.

The Food Controller's new orders—having for their object the limitation of food consumption—will, *The Daily Mirror* learns, be issued either to-day or to-morrow.

That the new regulations will be of a drastic nature is beyond doubt. Among other things, they will sound the death-knell of the food hoarder.

To-day, as stated already in *The Daily Mirror*, sees the price of the quartern loaf of stale bread advanced to one shilling.

The principal points of Lord Devonport's latest food order will, it is expected, be:—Making it illegal for a shopkeeper to offer to sell an article of food, such as sugar, on "no this without that" terms.

The police have power to search for food hoards.

Hoarders to be subject to heavy punishment, including imprisonment, if they have more than a fortnight's supply of any food commodity.

Five ounces of meat (weighed in its raw state) to be the maximum quantity to be supplied for a meal at a hotel or restaurant.

Two potatoless and two meatless days per week at every hotel or restaurant.

The price of bread from to-morrow will constitute a record quotation since the war.

#### LONDON'S CHEAPEST LOAF.

True, we are not rationed off with our bread supplies as are the Germans, and there is no ground for panic, but it is abundantly clear that the need to practise economy in every way is very urgent.

In Germany the daily bread ration per person has been reduced to 6oz., on which, the *Forerunner* protests, it is impossible to live.

The cheapest bread in London is that sold in Woolwich.

There the Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society has been selling the 4lb. loaf at 9d. Bakers in other parts of the metropolis maintained they could not sell under 10d., or 11d.

A leading baker pointed out to *The Daily Mirror* that to-day's increased price will not be charged to those who fetch their own loaves.

The problem of the milk supply is being tackled by the authorities.

It is recognised that maximum prices have been fixed which may, if the difficulties of dairy farmers increase, have the effect of discouraging production.

The President of the Board of Agriculture and the Secretary for Scotland have conferred with the Food Controller on the subject, and have agreed that—

The prices to be fixed for next winter shall be considered by the Agricultural Departments in good time before the period for making contracts arrives, so as to make the maintenance of milk production certain, and commercially profitable in comparison with other branches of the farming industry.

The Food Controller is issuing an order amending the Price of Milk Orders, 1917, so that the increase in prices sanctioned by those orders is based on the summer prices of 1914, instead of those of 1913.

#### POTATO SUBSTITUTES.

The potato situation is becoming more acute than ever before and a famine in that important food is now in view.

Turnips and carrots, cabbages, onions and swedes were bought in their place.

"No potatoes" was the announcement at most greengrocers during the week-end.

Mr. William Thorne is to ask the parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food if he is aware that Mr. Dennis, adviser to the Food Controller, has stated that there are about 150,000 tons of potatoes in Great Britain, and, except in Ireland, it means that there are sufficient potatoes to supply each individual with 1lb. of potatoes per head per week until May.

Further, if he is aware that some of the families of eight and nine in the East End of London have only been able to obtain 3lb. of potatoes in three weeks, and if he can make any statement with regard to a better distribution of the potatoes available.

#### RICH GERMANS' BRIBES.

### Attempts to 'Save Their Children from Starvation.

From a most reliable neutral diplomatic source in London, an Exchange learns that conditions are going from bad to worse in Germany, owing to the dearth of food.

A letter has been received in London by a high neutral diplomat from a wealthy Hamburg merchant depicting the gravity of the situation.

This letter states that the rich Hamburg merchants, in order to save their offspring from starvation, are endeavouring to get them out of the country into Denmark.

Imperial orders have been issued with the object of preventing this practice, and recently the Kaiser gave orders for sending 50,000 children from the cities to different parts of Prussia where somewhat better food conditions prevail.

Large bribes are being paid to the German secret police in the hope of getting them to connive at sending children to neutral countries.



This is National Service Week, and the photograph shows some of the reminders in Trafalgar-square. Do not let the enemy starve you is the watchword.

## PELTED WITH CLODS.

### Peace-by-Negotiation Man Runs Gantlet for Half-a-Mile.

#### RUSH FOR THE ROSTRUM.

Exciting scenes were witnessed yesterday afternoon on Clapham Common, when it was attempted to hold a peace-by-negotiation meeting.

The speaker had not proceeded very far when cries arose from a large hostile crowd of "Throw him in the pond," and a rush was made for the rostrum. A number of policemen prevented the crowd from molesting the man and they escorted him off the common.

Another member of the same meeting who was recognised about an hour later did not fare so well. He had to run the gantlet for nearly half a mile and was pelted with clods of earth and grass.

One or two of his friends were rather roughly handled.

## APPLAUSE IN CHURCH.

### Dean Ignores Controversy and Preaches in City Temple.

"On the basis of the Reformation, everything was possible. We could come together for common worship without violating any principle."

This was what the Dean of Durham (Dr. Henson) said in his sermon at the City Temple yesterday, his appearance at the famous church, despite considerable controversy, attracting large congregations.

When, during the morning discourse, the Dean stated that he claimed his liberty of religious fellowship, there was an unchecked murmur of applause from the congregation.

"I have come here to this central church of English Nonconformity," said the Dean, "at the courteous invitation of those who are the responsible authorities in order, as an English clergyman, to claim my liberty of religious fellowship with the members of those evangelical Churches, called in this country Nonconformist, which share with the parent Church of England the heritage of the Reformation."

## SUMMER TIME AGAIN.

### Daylight Saving Scheme Will Begin on Easter Sunday.

"Summer time"—the officially-recognised "summer-time"—will be reintroduced on Easter Sunday.

This announcement was made by the Press Bureau during the week-end in the following terms:—

It has been decided by the Government that "summer-time" shall be reintroduced this year, as recommended by the Home Office Committee, throughout the United Kingdom, beginning at two o'clock in the morning of Sunday, April 8, when the clocks will be put forward one hour, and ending at two o'clock in the morning of Monday, September 17.

An Order in Council will be issued to give effect to this decision.

Everyone will welcome the reintroduction of this second term of "summer-time."

## AIRMAN PRINCE CAPTURED

### Karl of Prussia Wounded During an Aerial Battle.

Further details concerning Friedrich Karl of Prussia, who is wounded and a prisoner, were forthcoming yesterday.

According to the reports of German airmen, his machine landed close to some enemy troops near Laguycourt-Vaux.

King Alfonso has telegraphed to Prince Friedrich Leopold that, according to a Paris telegram, his son, Prince Friedrich, received a bullet in the stomach during an aerial combat, states the *Central News*.

## STATE AND DRINK.

### Cabinet Said To Be Considering Purchase Proposals.

#### "WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS."

The State, it is understood, intends at once to purchase the drink trade in England, Wales and Ireland.

This announcement was made by Mr. G. B. Hunter, the well-known shipbuilder, addressing a temperance gathering at Newcastle yesterday. Mr. Hunter stated that he had received a letter from a member of Parliament announcing that the Cabinet had resolved within the next few days to bring in proposals for the State purchase of the drink trade in England, Wales and Ireland.

Scotland was excluded because he believed they knew Scotland would not have it.

## IS OUR BLOCKADE LEAKY?

### Important Debate in House of Commons To-morrow.

#### By Our Parliamentary Correspondent.

An important debate on the subject of our blockade of Germany will take place to-morrow in the House of Commons.

A report has been current for some time that Germany is still receiving enormous food supplies from neutrals, and an official explanation is awaited with considerable anxiety.

Commander Bellairs has given notice of a resolution that, in view of the murders and violations of international law committed on the high seas by the German Government, "supplies for neutral European countries must now be rationed on the basis of the entire cessation of their trade with Germany and her Allies."

## NATIONAL SERVICE WEEK.

### Mr. Chamberlain's Campaign—500,000 Volunteers Wanted.

This week is National Service week. A special effort is to be made all over the country, and within the next few weeks Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Director-General, hopes to secure 500,000 volunteers.

The number of enrolments to date for National Service, *The Daily Mirror* understands, is nearly 100,000.

Public meetings are to be held during the next few days in practically every city and town in the country.

"Enrol for State Service" was the appeal made from the pulpit yesterday in many churches and chapels.

## WOMEN'S NEW ECONOMIES.

### Cheaper and Less Elaborate Gowns To Be Worn This Spring.

Women have been discovering many ingenious devices for the saving of labour, *The Daily Mirror* learns.

Tempted by Saturday's sunshine, thousands sought the latest "hints" at our West End shops for finding cheap substitutes for immediate requirements.

Since made have left at the call of the land, triple-tiered gowns, gowns with drapery or flounces, are replaced by straight-down dresses easy to press and to launder.

Dark-coloured carpets, much-flowered chintz curtains and covers are taking the place of light ones to save cleaners' bills.

## MILLIONAIRE A REFUGEE.

A large party of well-to-do Rumanian refugees have arrived in England. They are mostly women, fashionably attired in black and furs, and have come from Bukarest.

The Rumanian ladies spoke regretfully of the havoc the Germans have created in their homes. One of the Rumanian refugees was said to be a millionaire.—*Central News*.

## WOMEN'S LAND ARMY STARTS TRAINING.

### Mobilising To-day to Help Farmers to Grow Food.

#### PICTURESQUE UNIFORMS.

Hundreds of town girls and women who have applied for agricultural work will to-day start their free training for the land.

For four weeks they will be fed and lodged and trained at the country's expense, and they will play an important part in helping farmers to grow more food.

The uniforms given to them free will consist of a pair of high boots, breeches, two overalls and a hat, a serviceable and picturesque dress made to measure, which will mark them as soldiers in the women's land army.

Trained and clothed, at no expense to themselves, these land army recruits will be sent to carefully selected farms, where they will be under the care and protection of supervisors appointed by the Women's War Agricultural Committees.

#### WHAT THEY CAN EARN.

Skilled women will always command good wages for farm, garden and dairy work. As soon as the trained recruit starts her independent career on a farm she will receive not less than 18s. a week, with bonuses for special work and harvesting.

Wherever the district rate is higher than 18s. the pay given to women workers recruited under this scheme will be higher also.

Girl's career above 18s. a week will depend upon her energy, intelligence and skill. When she can bring up, take to market and sell a prize beast, or take a good crop off a piece of fertile land, she will be worth high wages to her employer, and her War Agricultural Committee will see that she gets them.

Some women will say, "How are we to live on 18s. a week?" The question is answered by the hostel and billeting system.

Experience in munition centres has proved the possibility of housing girls and feeding them well at 18s. a week. In some cases the farm workers' hostel may be a country mansion, in others a collection of cottages.

#### TO ENCOURAGE SAYING.

The arrangements made by the Women's War Agricultural Committees, and such bodies as the Girls' Friendly Society, who are generously offering their organisation and aid, will ensure to the war land worker a surplus of cash for her own needs even when as a beginner she is only earning 18s. a week.

Every woman who joins the Women's Land Army will have the right of appeal to a War Agricultural Committee or direct to the Board of Agriculture, if she is dissatisfied with her wages, food, clothing or the conditions of her employment.

Girls and women who apply at once for enrolment in the Women's Land Army will have this advantage—they will become the officers and leaders of thousands who must follow.

After the middle of April the men now on furlough for farm work will be recalled to the Army, and a large number of women must be trained by then to take their places.

Applications for farm work by girls and women should be made at once on the forms to be procured at any post-office.

## WOMEN FOR FRANCE.

The first two battalions of the Englishwomen's Army which is to replace men in occupations behind the fighting lines in France are awaiting orders to cross the Channel.

They have been supplied with khaki uniforms, including overcoat and hat, skirt and blouse, boots, overall and cap, and the War Office is making a grant of £4 for each recruit.

Workers Needed.—Mr. Prothero, the Minister of Agriculture, estimates that 25,000 men and 22,000 women are needed for agricultural labour in England and Wales during the current year. For Scotland 5,000 men are required.

## NEWS ITEMS.

#### Kaiser's Burglar-Gang.

"War for the Germans is merely scientific burglary by a very large gang."—Dean Inge.

#### Germany's Need of Aluminium.

The German military authorities are requisitioning all the aluminium, whether in use or not, says an Exchange Paris message.

#### A King's Example.

The King of Italy takes the same food as his soldiers, often substituting honey for sugar and butter, which are scarce.—Exchange.

#### England To Go Shares with Germany.

By a new arrangement, says a Wireless message, the fish supply of Holland will be divided between England and Germany after the Dutch Government has purchased what it requires.

#### To Husband Electricity.

A committee to consider what steps should be taken to ensure an adequate and economical supply of electric power for all classes of consumers in the United Kingdom has been appointed by the Board of Trade.



# FRENCH GAINS—FOE PUSHED BACK EVERYWHERE

**Germans Driven Beyond an Important Position—Huns' "Very Serious Losses."**

**SOLDIERS ANGERED BY ENEMY'S RAVAGES.**

**British Improve Position West of St. Quentin—Cambrai Railway Line Cut—Air Raid on Calais.**

On the Somme-Aisne front the French offensive movement ended in our Ally driving the foe back everywhere, and he suffered "very serious losses." The Germans were driven beyond the important Castres-Essigny-le-Grand (four miles south of St. Quentin) position. In Coucy Forest region the outskirts of Folembay have been reached, and north of Soissons the French have added to their gains.

The British have improved their position west of Croisilles (west of Cambrai). By the capture of Roisel (reported on Saturday) the British cut the Cambrai-St. Quentin railway, and Berlin admits that near Beaumetz and Roisel their troops "gave way in accordance with instructions."

**FINE FRENCH ADVANCE BRITISH PROGRESS WEST AFTER GREAT BATTLE.**

**Strong German Positions Carried by Prisoners Brought Back from Trenches Troops Aflame with Wrath.**

## FRENCH OFFICIAL.

**Night Communicé.**—From the Somme to the Aisne our troops continued their offensive movement in the course of the day.

The struggle was a stubborn one, owing to the vigorous defence offered by the enemy, but our soldiers, inflamed by the sight of the ravages committed by the Germans everywhere, drove back the enemy, who sustained very serious losses.

Between the Somme and the Oise we threw back the enemy beyond the important position Castres-Essigny-Le Grand-Hill 121.

A violent German counter-attack debouching on the Essigny-Benay front was broken by our fire.

South of the Oise our troops at several points penetrated the lower Coucy Forest and reached the approaches to Folembay and Coucy le Chateau.

German troops on the march towards Folembay were caught under a violent fire from our batteries and were dispersed with great losses.

North of Soissons we increased our gains and repulsed two counter-attacks directed on the Vesgny-Margival front.

In the Craonne region there was a lively artillery struggle on both sides.

On the Verdun front our batteries brought an effective fire to bear on the German organizations to the north of Hill 304 and to the north-west of Bezonvaux.—Reuter.

## APPRECIABLE ADVANCE.

**Afternoon Communicé.**—During the night we made fresh progress north of Grand Serailcourt, in the direction of St. Quentin. Between the Somme and the Oise the night was relatively calm.

The prisoners taken by us during yesterday belonged to seven different regiments.

On the eastern bank of the Ailette we advanced appreciably south of Chauny and consolidated our positions there and in the region north of Soissons.

Yesterday Warrant Officer Ortolì brought down his sixth German machine.

German aeroplanes yesterday evening dropped several bombs on Calais and Dunkirk. At Dunkirk there were no victims and no damage was done. At Calais two civilians were killed and one was wounded.—Reuter.

## "WHY THEY GAVE WAY."

### GERMAN OFFICIAL.

The weather being clear, artillery activity on the Flanders and Artois front was lively.

South-east of Ypres our mine-throwers carried out successful operations, following which our reconnoitring troops, pressing forward, found the attacked trenches destroyed and evacuated by the enemy.

Near Beaumetz, Roisel and the east of the Crozat Canal enemy attacking troops came in contact with our protecting troops, which, after inflicting losses on the enemy, gave way in accordance with instructions.

Between the sea and the Moselle our aeroplanes made numerous attacks against enemy machines and objectives on the ground. During aerial engagements the British and French lost seventeen machines.

**Night Communicé.**—In the west there has been lively firing activity in the corner between the Somme and the Crozat Canal.—Wireless

## BRITISH OFFICIAL.

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, Sunday.**

**7.50 P.M.**—North of the Bapaume-Cambrai road a bombing attack made by the enemy on one of our posts in the neighbourhood of Beaumetz-les-Cambrai last night was successfully driven off.

We have improved our position west of Croisilles (south-east of Arras and west of Cambrai).

We entered the enemy trenches during the night north-east of Loos and captured several prisoners and a machine gun.

An enemy raiding party entered our trenches early this morning west of Hulluch, but was ejected with loss, leaving prisoners in our hands. A few of our men are missing.

There was considerable activity in the air yesterday by both sides. Two important railway junctions behind the enemy's lines were bombed by our aeroplanes, and a number of fights took place, in the course of which eight hostile machines were driven down out of control. Four of our machines are missing.—Exchange.

Sir Douglas Haig reported on Saturday that our troops occupied Roisel, seven miles east of Peronne, and progressed on a front of one and a half miles south-west and west of Ecourt St. Mein.

**FRENCH ADVANCE RIGHT UP TO HINDENBURG'S LINE.**

**Our Ally's Troops Reach Outskirts of Savy—Battle in Full Swing.**

**PARIS, Sunday.**—The expert French commentator, writing last night, says:—

It seems as if the Germans are reaching the end of their withdrawal.

There is no longer a pursuit, but a regular battle is in full swing, in which we are acting on the offensive.

On the British front between Arras and Cambrai the enemy was driven back one and a quarter miles west of Ecourt St. Mein. Some six and a quarter miles further south the enemy succeeded in regaining a foothold in Beaumetz-les-Cambrai, but the Allies, vigorously counter-attacking, drove him out again.

Further south again, the British occupied Roisel, an important place some nine miles east of Peronne, on the Cambrai-St. Quentin railway, which has thus been cut and is therefore quite useless for the enemy.

North of the Somme, in the region where the British right joins on to the French left, we advanced as far as the outskirts of the hamlet of Savy, which undoubtedly is part of Hindenburg's line.

We are now barely three and a half miles distant from the town.—Reuter.

## WHERE THE LINE JOINS.

**PARIS, Sunday.**—The *Petit Parisien* says the battle continues to rage over the whole front held by the French troops.

The British front now joins our lines south-west of St. Quentin towards the Attilly Wood.—Central News.



Towards St. Quentin and south of Chauny the French have made progress.

## RUSSIA'S WAR CABINET OF FOUR MINISTERS.

**Grand Duke Nicholas Resigned from Supreme Army Command.**

The principal news from Russia yesterday was that a War Cabinet of four Ministers has been formed and that the Grand Duke Nicholas, on account of his connection with the dynasty, has been resigned from the supreme army command. General Alexieff has succeeded him temporarily.

A Reuter message says:—

The Government has informed the Grand Duke Nicholas that his nomination as commander-in-chief is not considered as valid, having been made by the Tsar simultaneously with the latter's abdication.

The Grand Duke has asked if he may be allowed to live at Livadia, but the question has not yet been decided.

Between 3,000 and 4,000 arrests have been made in Petrograd since the first day of the revolution. A large number of German spies are stated to have crossed the Swedo-Finnish frontier.

Colonel Knox and Major Thornhill attended a meeting of the Tsarskoe Selo garrison, at which they explained the maintenance of discipline in the British Army, the relations between officers and men, and the accepted codes.—Reuter.

The Imperial Family is shut up in the left wing of the Alexander Palace. The invalid children are under the care of doctors. Around the palace life is suspended, and there is complete silence.—Wireless Press.

## MOSCOW AS CAPITAL?

**PETROGRAD, Saturday.**—In accordance with a decision of the Municipal Council, the Mayor of Moscow, Mr. Tchoukoff, has sent a message to Prince Lvoff, head of the Provisional Government, setting forth the historic rights of Moscow to be considered the only possible seat of a constituent assembly.—Central News.

## "CONDUCT QUITE CLOSE TO STATE OF SAVAGERY."

**French Government's Protest Against German Barbarity.**

As a protest against the vandalism and barbarity of the Germans in the French towns and villages which they have been forced to evacuate, the French Government is sending a strongly-worded Note to each of the neutral Powers.

"I say you," the Republic instructs its representative in the different neutral capitals, "to inform the Government to which you are accredited that we intend to denounce before the whole world the unspeakable acts in which the German authorities have indulged."

"No motive claiming to be based on military necessity," says the protest, "can justify systematic devastation directed against public monuments of artistic and historic value, as well as against private property and accompanied by acts of personal violence."

"Whole towns and villages have been pillaged, burnt, destroyed; private houses have been stripped of all their furniture, which the enemy has carried off; fruit trees have been torn up or rendered useless for all future production; springs and wells have been poisoned."

"The comparatively few inhabitants who were not evacuated to the rear were left with the smallest possible ration of food, while the enemy took possession of the stocks provided by the neutral relief committee and intended for the civil population."

"The civilized world," the protest adds, "can only feel revulsion at the behaviour of a nation which claimed to impose its 'culture' on the world, but which once again shows itself to be still quite close to a state of savagery, and which gives vent to its rage at the failure of its ambition by stamping on the most sacred rights of humanity."—Reuter.

## DOMINATING POINT IN BRITISH HANDS.

**Ytres Commands Sweep of Country Towards Cambrai.**

## RAPID FRENCH PURSUIT.

**WAR CORRESPONDENTS' HEADQUARTERS (France), Sunday.**—The only definite changes of position reported since yesterday morning are that our cavalry have entered Roisel, some seven miles east of Peronne, and about the same distance west of the main Cambrai-St. Quentin road, and have occupied Ytres.

This latter place, which lies about eight miles east-south-east of Bapaume, has been a point of considerable resistance. Standing on a plateau at an elevation of over 400ft., it commands a fine sweep of gently undulating country north-east towards Cambrai, and also the branch railway which runs from Velu to St. Quentin.

Between Ytres and Beaumetz-les-Cambrai, a distance of about five miles, the Germans have shown stout resistance, but anywhere else along the front of our advance.

I now learn that in the fighting at the latter place the Germans suffered more than 100 casualties, forty dead being picked up in the main street alone.

Elsewhere along the rear of his retreat the enemy throughout yesterday was rather more energetic in the defence of the line.

## ROYAL ENGINEERS' FINE WORK.

The back areas of the recovered territory present most remarkable scenes of teeming activity. Many thousands of workers are toiling day and night to restore the damaged communications and clear up the ruin left by the Germans.

The Royal Engineers are doing magnificent work, and the speed with which they build bridges capable of bearing the passage of the heaviest transport is a very fine achievement.

The movement of troops just now is quite bewildering to us used to many months of stationary warfare.

One day a district will be stiff with khaki legions. The next day this same tract of country will be silent and desolate, and the troops vanished into the blue.—Reuter's Special.

## FOE BULWARK IN PERIL.

**From Reuter's Special Correspondent with the French Army.**

**HAM, Sunday.**—In spite of the undeniable skill and method with which he has conducted his retreat, the enemy miscalculated the rapidity of movement of the French pursuing armies.

The error has already cost him a heavy loss in men. The Germans were forced to turn to by the unexpectedly quick passage of the St. Quentin Canal and River Ailette by the French, and large masses of their infantry are now engaged with their pursuers along the whole front from St. Quentin to the Ailette.

The advance from the east bank of this little stream brings our troops to the foot of the slopes leading up to the Laon plateau, which is bounded on this side by the forests of St. Gobain and Coucy.

On the southern side troops advancing from Soissons are steadily scaling the steep approach to the plateau.

The plateau, which has to be climbed from below on all sides, is a natural position of enormous strength, and it may be said with certainty that it forms an important feature of the new Hindenburg scheme of defence, in which it would naturally play the part of a bastion, protecting the left flank of his celebrated line.

It is therefore likely to be contested with the utmost violence.—Reuter's Special.

## THAT WASP'S NEST.

**PARIS, Sunday.**—M. Gustave Hervé, in the *Vieillot*, to-day counsels prudence in following up the retreating enemy.

"That wasp's nest of the Forest of St. Gobain," he writes, "must be watched."

"It is possible that in the menaces and hints of the German Press there is a big bit of bluff, but there may also be some little truth in them we must act as if Hindenburg has prepared a disagreeable surprise for us."—Reuter.

## GALATZ BOMBARDED.

### RUMANIAN OFFICIAL.

The enemy heavy artillery bombarded the town of Galatz, causing some damage.—Exchange.

At the request of the Pope and the King of Spain, the Kaiser has relieved the Belgian, Mme. Dentreleigne, sentenced to death for high treason, says an Exchange Rome telegram.



# WHITELEYS SILK SALE

## Commences To-day.

Important lots of high-grade Silks, purchased from British, French, Italian and Japanese makers, will be offered at about  
**HALF USUAL PRICES.**

WRITE FOR PATTERNS, POST FREE.

**M1. British Silk Washing Crêpe.** 250 pieces of heavy All-silk Crêpe Cloth, particularly suitable for Coat Frocks, serviceable Dresses, and Juvenile wear. In beautiful shades of Pink, Sky, Tussock, Saxe Blue, Grey, Brown, Navy, and Ivory. 38 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **2/11** Sale Price **1/8**

**M2. Striped Corded Silks.** 200 pieces of heavy Corded Silk, in a large variety of Fancy Coloured Stripes, suitable for hard-wearing Linings, Blouses, and Juvenile Frocks. 10 in.

Usual Price per yard **2/11** Sale Price **1/6**

**M3. Ninghai Shantung Silks.** 100 pieces of superior Washing Shantung Silk, for general wear. In Fraise, Bottle, Nigger, Saxe, Navy, Grey, Pink, Sky, Champagne, Electric, and Ivory. 33 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **4/6** Sale Price **3/6**

**M4. Corded Shantung Silks.** 75 pieces of heavy Shantung Silk, for Coat Frocks and Costumes. In Grey, Nigger Brown, Mid Brown, Navy, Wine, Electric, and Champagne. 31 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **6/11** Sale Price **4/6**

**M5. Fancy Shantung Silks.** 50 pieces of Natural Shantung, printed in neat designs and colours. 33 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **3/11** Sale Price **2/11**

**M6. Natural Jap Silks.** Heavy quality Ivory Jap Washing Silk. First choice, superior quality. These goods are very scarce, consequently this lot is of special interest. 35 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **3/11** Sale Price **2/11**

**M7. Real Ninghai Shantung Silks.** Bright Silky goods and nice weight, natural shade. 33 to 34 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **3/11** Sale Price **2/11**

**M8. Black Dress & Costume Silks.** A variety of makes in soft Armure Royals, Tricôtes, Côte-de-Cheval. All rich qualities, for serviceable Dresses and Costumes. 32 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **9/11** Sale Price **5/11**

**M9. Black Mousseline Taffeta.** Heavy make, for Coat Frocks, Dresses, and Skirts. 40 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **7/11** Sale Price **5/6**

**M10. Black Satin Charmant.** Heavy quality, with the Crêpe back and dull Satin face. 40 in.

Usual Price per yard **10/9** Sale Price **7/11**

**M11. Black Satin Grenadine.** Well-known soft Satin, with dull face, for hard wear. 40 in. wide.

Usual Price per yard **6/11** Sale Price **4/11**

## WHITELEY'S

Promenade des Toilettes  
and

## EXHIBITION OF ENGLISH FASHIONS

will be held To-morrow (Tuesday)  
and Wednesday.

Living Models will display the latest creations, also the copies of the newest French Fashions adapted to English requirements, with a view to studying economy in dress during war time.

The Parade will take place from 3 to 4 and from 4.30 to 5.30 each afternoon, and no tickets of admission will be required.

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### MEDALS FOR CADETS.



Alderman Brooks, the Lord Mayor of Birmingham, presenting Lucas Tooth medals to Warwickshire cadets.

### "MY CONGRATULATIONS."



A cadet receives a medal from a friend after receiving a medal at Saturday's Investiture at the Palace.

### IN THE NEWS.



Tommy Noble, who will meet Sgt. Irvine, A.S.C., in a twenty-round contest at the Ring to-day.



Sgt. J. Jones, D.C.M. (Rifle Brigade), killed. His father has received a letter of sympathy from the King.



Pte. A. Birch (Cheshire Regiment), who has been awarded a gold medal by the King of Serbia.

### THE GYMNASTIC CURE.



Wounded soldiers go through a course of gymnastics at a Croydon hospital. It has proved very successful.

### DECORATED.



Lee-Capt. W. Bartley (K.R.R.C.), awarded Military Medal. He has been in France for 13 months.



Cpl. G. A. Holland (London Regiment), of Norwich, wins the Military Medal for conspicuous bravery.



Miss G. C. Morgan, hospital matron, decorated with the Royal Red Cross on Saturday.

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# Daily Mirror

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 1917.

## A SHILLING LOAF!

THE four-pound loaf a shilling to-day! This will call forth Crimean reminiscences from our veterans. . . .

We regret that we know none of those inventive centenarians who might tell us, by comparison, "what it felt like" in days of Waterloo; days of agricultural riots, Spa Fields riots, suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act, Sidmouth Circulars, Derbyshire insurrections, Cobbett, the Political Register and insults for the Prince Regent.

These instructive elders ought to be invented (in Voltairian phrase), if they do not exist. They are needed. We had the pleasure of knowing one of them at the time of the Boer War. He could compare the Mafeking festivities with those held for Waterloo. Unfortunately, he died, soon after Mafeking—possibly as a result of those "celebrations."

A pity: because he could have told us how his mamma economised in days when labourers tried to subsist on grass, according to Biblical parallels. He could have assured us that things are not yet so bad as that. For in those days England had been practically twelve years at war.

Imagine twelve years of this war! Counting by anticipation from August next—nine years more!

What would the loaf be in 1926?

A memory merely. . . .

In spite of the gross social injustices of those Waterloo days, our ancestors "held out" well; aided, of course, by their infinitely smaller numbers, by their relative self-sufficiency that led them in the year 1815 actually to forbid the importation of cheap wheat, and in fact by their better adaptation of numbers to food supply—an adaptation now impossible, after a century of growing numbers and inattention to food, on the sublime assumption—or rather patent falsehood—that food will always increase with numbers. Many things helped our forefathers. But many things—other things—help us; or will help us, if we help ourselves.

To-day we are largely dependent on foreign supplies. There is a world food shortage not due to the war only. And with the over-population of the world, the prospect of a continued shortage and of poor harvests for years after the war, owing to failure of fertilising material and degeneracy of poorly laboured lands, the Food Problem is once again, after a century's reliance on chance, the most serious problem of the hour. It has clearly driven military operations altogether from the front of public preoccupation! It has stripped artificiality from our sense of the thing—shown us again how elementally dependent we all are on this first—on everything else afterwards. All, paradoxically, so much to the good if it mean that after the war the Food Problem and the problem of numbers will be considered jointly as the root-problem of humanity on the material side.

Meanwhile, prices soaring, "no compulsion" and a shilling loaf. And, of course, maniacs howling for "more babies"—to starve!

But as yet—thanks to luck rather than Lord Devonport—no such crisis as in the year of Waterloo or near it. Nor need there be, if our rulers act firmly and our ruled act patriotically and our birth-rate maniacs are shut up in asylums where they belong.

W. M.

## A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Patience and patience, we shall win at the last. We must be very suspicious of the deceptions of the element of time. Never mind the ridicule, never mind the defeat: up again, old heart! It seems to say—there is victory yet for all justice; and the true romance which the world exists to realise will be the transformation of genius into practical power. *Russell*

## THINGS WE DO NOT REALISE ABOUT FOOD.

### WAYS OF SAVING IN SMALL MATTERS OF DIET.

By MRS. EUSTACE MILES.

PEOPLE are talking everywhere about the need for saving. And some people are not only talking, but really trying to save.

A good many only try. They do not succeed—through ignorance. While they think they waste nothing, they really waste a good deal.

Let me give some quite common instances of that waste which is still going on through pride and prejudice, and also through ignorance. It is appalling.

We still get root vegetables without their useful tops, and the greengrocers still break off the outside leaves of the vegetables and

thought I was going to eat "pig-wash." I am sure she thought I was mad!

The waste in crusts and stale bread and toast which is continually going on in private houses and in big establishments is still great also, and this is chiefly because, since the war, the handmills for grinding up the pieces of stale bread into flakes and breadcrumbs, which can be used for cooking purposes (especially in meatless cookery), are no longer procurable, as hitherto they have been made in Germany!

### MEAT-EATERS WITHOUT MEAT:

There prevails a great ignorance about which are the best meat substitutes, because so few people really understand about food values.

I think that every household should possess a chart of food values, so that it could be plainly realised that certain foods contain most proteid (or body-building value), and

## A DREAM OF THE AGED CLUB FREQUENTER.

OLD DROWNER'S AWFUL AFTERNOON ARMCHAIR DREAM OF WHAT MIGHT TAKE PLACE, AT THE UNITED STODGERS CLUB FOR EXAMPLE, IF, OWING TO MAN'S MISMANAGEMENT OF THE WORLD, THE ANIMALS GOT THE UPPER HAND



Only in clubs does one commonly see that awful form of decoration consisting of dead heads attached to the wall. Suppose the heads were human and the animals sat and dozed under them in the chairs below!—(By W. K. Haselden.)

the outside sticks of celery, etc., and throw them on the floor!

The other day I was buying some radishes, and the girl who was serving me was just going to break off their green tops and throw them away, when I stopped her and told her that I should make a salad of the radish-tops for dinner (and I did, too—and it was delicious—with a sprig of fresh green mint added).

I then bought a cabbage, and again she was going to break off the outside leaves and throw them on the floor (which was already strewn with debris), but I stopped her, and told her that I should have them well washed and then shredded, and cooked in a little margarine in a double-pan cooker and then chopped up like spinach and served as a vegetable for dinner. She looked at me as if she

## IS IT "VOLUNTARY"?

### DELAY AND HESITATION IN REGARD TO FOOD POLICY.

#### EIGHT WEEKS?

"W. M." is a little sarcastic about Lord Devonport's "logic," but surely Food Tickets ought at almost all costs to be avoided, seeing what a nation of muddle-heads we are!

Imagine the muddle of a compulsory food-ticket arrangement and the "eight weeks" it would take "to get it into working order." Eight weeks? Or eight months?

There won't be a hotel left free in London after that eight weeks! SCPTIC.

#### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

IT is true enough that we are no longer trying the voluntary system.

But surely there is no harm in calling it still the voluntary system? That keeps people from getting alarmed and sets Lord Devonport's mind at rest. No doubt also it enables him to agree with those of his colleagues who have a rooted objection to any sort of compulsion—in name. They will put up with it right enough, so long as you do not name it to them! L. K. Sussex-square, W.

### SUGAR REGULATIONS: A QUESTION.

ON opening the paper this morning I saw that a new regulation is likely to come into force any day, rendering liable to imprisonment anyone who has more than a fortnight's allowance of sugar in the house. This gives rise to a question which will probably interest many another housewife besides myself.

I have a household of four and a maid to ration, and according to present regulations I am allowed 3½ lb. of sugar per week. To this amount I have strictly adhered, purchasing more often less, but in the matter of consumption I have kept far below the limit. My maid has her 3½ lb. weighed out weekly, and has to keep to it. Not one of the family takes any sugar in tea, coffee, or cocoa, and for cake-making and puddings I use 7oz. weekly; this, I may say, is my self-imposed war allowance.

By these means I have saved 2½ lb. per week, hoping that when the early fruit came in I should be able to make some jam. March 22. E. M.

### IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 25.—Gooseberries, also red and white currants, may still be planted, but the work must be completed without delay. Gooseberries should be often found growing against sunny walls, for here they will give a good supply of early fruit.

Finish pruning gooseberries. Thin out the branches so that light and air can reach the berries. Also spur prune currants.

Dress the raspberry plantation with manure at once, but do not do much digging near the roots, since these lie close to the surface of the ground. E. F. T.

that ordinary vegetables (except the pulses) and fruits (except nuts) in themselves cannot be regarded as substitutes for meat, as, although they are useful in other ways, they contain next to no proteid. This is why the words "vegetarian" and "fruitarian" are so misleading, making people suppose that, if meat is not eaten, vegetables and fruits can take its place.

A new race is being established through the shortage of meat, namely, meat eaters who do not eat meat!

But a very serious difficulty is that, because there is now a big run on the cheaper meat-substitutes.

Another thing which is not realised is that half the people do not read the papers at all; therefore half are in ignorance of what is really happening—and they only go by gossip

and hearsay. For instance, an old woman told me the other day that she knew for a fact there was plenty of food in England, and on inquiry I found that she had heard this from a charwoman! She also told me that tons of lump sugar are lying idle in the docks, awaiting for men to cart them away, and that some of the bags have burst open and the sugar is being trampled into the mud by the dockward workers. When I asked her who told her this, she said that the "wife of a porter" had told her!

I think what is needed to make people realise the seriousness of the food question is to have the subject preached and lectured about from every pulpit and stage, and talked of in every school, and, if the clergy cannot preach on the subject, let the women preach about it!



## SLUICE AN OBSTACLE IN STEEPLECHASE.



Fording the sluice in the steeplechase which was won by J. Stevenson.



Getting over an awkward obstacle.

Bradfield College held their annual athletic sports on Saturday. In the steeplechase, which is one of the chief events, there are many difficult obstacles to be negotiated.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



Taking a hedge in the steeplechase.

## NOVEL EVENTS AT CANADIAN SPORTS.



An attack by Red Indians on a trek cart and the rescue by cowboys was a feature of the 4th Canadian Division Artillery sports on Saturday. A tug of war on horseback was another novel event.

## STILL ABLE TO DO SOMETHING



A French ex-soldier, incapacitated from further fighting by wounds, helps towards

## SCOUTS' WORK.



R. E. Clark.



Scout Belben.

Two Leicestershire scouts. Patrol Leader Clark will do coast watching duties. Belben has received a bronze cross for life saving.

## THE LATEST GERMAN AEROPLANE



Rapid fire gun mounted on the latest type of German plane. It is a very powerful machine and can develop very high speed.

## ELEVEN YEARS OF SUFFERING



Marie Spiridonava, who for eleven years has suffered in Siberia, is one of the prisoners who have been released from captivity by the new regime in Russia. She is seen in the foreground wearing glasses. The crowd, carried to the shoulder high.

## THE A.S.C. SCORE 1,090 POINTS.



This is now their splendid aggregate. They won again on Saturday



# WE TO DO SOMETHING FOR FRANCE.



capacitated from further fighting by wounds, helps towards victory by cultivating the soil.

# THE GAMES FRITZ LIKES TO PLAY.



Prisoners and their escort arriving at an orchard with digging tools.

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Rapid fire gun mounted on the latest type of German aeroplane. It is a very powerful machine and can develop a very high speed.

## A CASUALTY.



Lieut.-Com. Beal.

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Miss Betty Barclay.

Lieutenant - Commander Basil A. Beal, R.N., killed on active service, and his widow, whose stage name is Betty Barclay.



Tip-stick during recreation time.



A game of "tag," not "der tag."

Football does not appeal to the Boche, but the prisoners who are working on a fruit farm in England have games of their own with which they beguile their leisure moments.

## THE YOUNGEST FRENCH NURSE.



The Comtesse de Bourhon, who is only nine years of age.

## ENTERING UP THE HISTORY OF THE CASE.



When the wounded arrive at the hospitals in London the particulars on their labels are duly entered up. While this necessary task is being performed the men enjoy their own cigarettes. These patients came from the plains of Picardy.



PONTINGS, KENSINGTON HIGH ST., LONDON, W. 8.



# PETER LYSER: THE MAN WHO FORGOT

By RUBY M. AYRES.

## PEOPLE IN THE STORY.

**NAN MARRABY**, a charming girl, who became engaged to Peter Lyster on the eve of his departure for France.

**PETER LYSER**, who has lost his memory as the result of shock. He has forgotten that he is engaged to Nan.

**JOHN ENDICOTT**, Nan's friend, who stands at the front. She and Nan are living together.

**JOHN ARNOTT**, Peter's friend and a brother officer, who comes to tell Nan that Peter has lost his memory.

Nan Marraby. and a brother officer, who comes to tell Nan that Peter has lost his memory.

NAN MARRABY became engaged to Peter Lyster on the eve of his departure for France. All the time he is away she tries to keep up her courage and to hope for the best even when the outlook seems strength. She devotes herself to cheering and giving strength to her friend, John Endicott, whose hand is also serving in France. Joan is weak and clinging, but Nan is strong and brave, and most of the burden falls upon her shoulders. They live together in a little flat, each anxiously waiting for the news that she dreads and hoping for the safe return of the man she loves.

At last news reaches Nan that Peter has been seriously wounded. She bears the blow heroically, and becomes more attentive than ever to Joan, who is desperately worried about her husband, Tim. Nan keeps a brave face to the foe, although her heart is torn with anxiety. Then come tidings that Peter is out of danger.

Nan decides to go and see Peter at once. Very reluctantly, Arnott takes Nan to the hotel at which he is staying with Peter. Once more he tries to dissuade her from what he knows will be a painful interview, but when she tells him that she goes into the smoking-room, where Peter is lying with great animation to a girl.

A terrible suspicion—on which she feels ashamed—flashes into Nan's mind. Peter seems so well and so natural that she wonders whether he has really lost his memory—or whether she has been cruelly deceived.

"Are you looking for anything?" the girl who is with Peter asks.

Nan hesitatingly explains that she thinks she must have left her gloves elsewhere. Peter comes and helps her to look for them, but although their eyes meet he does not remember Nan.

The next day Arnott brings Nan the packet of letters she had written to Peter.

Joan receives a telegram from her husband to say that he is returning home on leave. She is overjoyed and, although like a selfish child in her delight, says to Nan: "I hope you won't think me very horrid, but, of course, when Tim comes home he'll want me all to himself, and I was wondering if you'd mind going away for just those few days?"

Nan gives a queer little laugh. "I can go home—or to some friends," she replies.

While walking near Oxford-street, Nan is hailed by John Arnott. A little behind him is Peter Lyster. They have tea together. Peter pays Nan scant attention, and, when he begins to talk, she seems to love seems dead. Arnott is delighted to hear from Nan that she is going to stay at Leavenworth.

"That's only two miles from my sister's place," he says.

## A WHIM OF FATE.

BUT there was no reflection of John Arnott's delight in Nan's face.

She had made up her mind to refuse his invitation to his sister's house; had meant to be so brave and strong and keep away from Peter Lyster by going to her own home; and now it had turned out that her own home and Arnott's were close together.

Perhaps it was a whim of fate, she told herself. Lyster did not seem to be paying much attention. He was standing quietly, by looking away from them down the street.

Nan shot a swift glance at him, and in a flash she made up her mind.

She would not go home, after all; she would go away and stay somewhere else for the five days while Tim Endicott was home. She could surely find someone who would put her up for such a short time. She felt that she could not risk the chance of continually meeting Peter. Some day, if she were forced to go on seeing him and speaking to him, and trying to behave as if there were no knives stabbing her heart, she would break down and tell him all the many desolate truths which she had sworn he should never know.

"You don't look very delighted," Arnott was saying ruefully. Nan laughed.

"Oh, but I am," she protested. "I shall look to you to amuse me when I'm bored to death with the country and my three small brothers. Oh, it's raining!"

A sharp spring shower was suddenly deluging the earth. Nan made a dive for the doorway of the shop she had just left, followed by both men.

"It won't last," she said breathlessly. "April showers never last long." She was standing so close to Peter that their arms were touching—it turned her sick for a moment to remember the last time they had been together before he went to France.

She felt that she seemed to feel the clasp of his arms round her—the throbbing of his heart beneath her cheek.

She spoke hurriedly to Arnott.

"Do you think you could get me a taxi-hab? I'm really in a awful hurry—I ought not to have been away so long—and I'm sure it's not going to stop raining after all—the sky has

that all-over-ake sort of look, you know," she explained innocently.

Arnott dashed out into the rain—and Nan leaned against the doorway with a sudden feeling of uncontrollable weakness.

Lyster looked at her curiously; he thought she was really ill; he spoke to her with sudden gentleness.

"Is anything the matter, Miss Marraby?"

Nan raised her eyes to his with an effort, her lips quivered into a smile.

"Nothing of course; no, there is nothing the matter, thank you." Unconsciously she shrank a little from him.

"Do you know," he said abruptly after a moment, "I've got a sort of feeling at the back of my mind that you and I have met somewhere before."

He paused, but Nan gave no sign, though her heart seemed to leap almost from her body.

"Have you ever seen me before?" he asked painfully. "You know—I am sure Arnott has told you—that the shock I had when I was knocked out in France has made me forget some things in my life. They say it's only temporary, and that I shall be all right again, but I'm not sure. I'm always dreaming that I shall run across people I ought to know, and not know them."

His voice sounded a little rough and angry, and suddenly Nan's own emotion was lost in a groan of sympathy for him.

"I saw you that night at the hotel," she said gently. "I dare say you are thinking of that."

"Perhaps I am." He sounded relieved; he gave a quick sign and looked down the wet road in the direction in which Arnott had vanished.

"Arnott seems very backed to think you will be within easy reach of him at Leavenworth," he said, with sudden change of voice. "I suppose you are old friends?"

Nan said "Yes," and then "No," and then added, with a rush, "I don't know; it all depends what you would call old friends."

She dared not look at Lyster. "And, anyway," she went on, "I know, after all, I hate the country, and—and they don't really want me at home. I have a stepmother, and she doesn't care for me very much, you see."

"I seemed absurd to be telling such casual details," he said, "but really, he knew as much as she did of her home life, and of the woman who had made her childhood a burden, and the three small spoilt stepbrothers."

Arnott came back with the taxi then; the rain was dripping from his shoulders, but he was flushed and smiling.

"I had the deuce of a job to get it," he explained to Nan. "I had to go halfway down the street."

Nan thanked him hurriedly; she said "Good-bye," to Peter without looking at him and ran across the path to the waiting cab.

Arnott followed and stood at the door, regardless of the rain pouring down on him.

"And you'll let me know when you're leaving town?" he asked. "You promised, you know, he added as she hesitated."

"Did I? Very well—do go and take shelter, you've wet through."

He shut the door reluctantly. Nan waved a hand to him; her eyes turned for a moment to Peter's tall, rather weary-looking figure in the doorway—but he was not looking at her—and with a smothered exclamation of pain.

"And this is only the beginning, my child," she told herself fiercely. "This is just a little—a very little of all that you've got to go through before making a sound."

She tried to force her thoughts away from Peter Lyster, but it seemed an impossibility.

It was only when she reached the flat that she remembered that she had forgotten all about Joan; she hit her lips with vexation.

Joan was angry.

"You might have remembered it," she said peevishly. "That was all I asked you to do for me. Nan did not try to defend herself."

"I just forgot," she said. "That's my only excuse. I just forgot—I was thinking about something else, and . . . you'd forget worse things than that if you'd got little red demons fighting for your heart," she cried, with sudden fire.

She threw her hat down on the table and tore off her gloves; she felt stifling, imprisoned; she crossed the room and flung open the window.

The rain had stopped and the earth smelt damp and fresh. Even in London one thought of woods and primroses and soft mossy paths and the call of the wood pigeons.

And if things had gone just a little differently she and Peter might have had this spring together, she was telling herself, with passionate resentment. If things had only gone just a little differently!

Joan was full of her own concerns. She soon got over her flash of ill-temper. She had turned out her entire wardrobe for Nan to inspect and do up for her. Nan had clever fingers, and Joan did not hesitate to take advantage of the fact.

The whole afternoon she talked about the adored Tim till Nan's head reeled. It was a miracle that Peter Lyster was much as you would have done if you'd been his wife.

Nan's pale face flamed; she broke off an end of cotton with a vicious little snarl.

"I'd rather not discuss it if you don't mind,"

she said in a voice of deadly calm. "I haven't worried you with heroics, and I don't want you to be sorry for me—please don't speak about it again."

Joan looked taken aback; she was not really heartless, but to her narrow outlook it seemed impossible that anyone could ever care for a man as much as she did for the adored Tim; or—because she was married, and had been for nearly three years—that any engaged girl could feel the loss of her lover as much as she would feel the loss of her husband.

Joan judged everything by her own standards. "Are you—shall you go home?" she asked deprecatingly after a moment. "I mean when Tim comes back?"

"No," said Nan. "I don't think so, but I haven't decided. But there are heaps of people I can go and stay with," she added with a sudden desolate realisation that there were really very few indeed.

## A SILVER LINING.

NAN wanted a friend so badly just then; she wished with all her heart that Miss Lyster were alive; she would have understood so thoroughly, have sympathised so perfectly.

For a moment her heart failed her, but she caught herself up with a firm hand; every moment she felt that she had got to give way, that she simply could not go on and fight any longer, and yet somehow she did.

"You'll come back when Tim has to go, won't you?" Joan asked again anxiously. "I shall want you so badly then, Nan—you won't fail me?"

"No," said Nan. She knew that her voice sounded hard, but for the life of her she could not help it.

Joan's little maid knocked at the door; she thrust a scared face round.

"Please, M'am, another telegram."

Joan rushed across the room.

For half an hour she sat, she grabbed the yellow envelope, glanced at it and gave a little laugh.

"How silly; I was so sure it must be for me; but it's for you, Nan."

Nan took out the message, her heart did not beat a fraction more quickly as she unfolded it; the day was over for her when the sight of a telegram boy in the street sent her into a fever. She read the words through unemotionally, then she looked up.

"I have got to go home at once," she said dully. "My stepmother has died very suddenly."

"Nan." The two girls looked at one another in dismay; Joan had never seen Mrs. Marraby, but she had heard a great deal about her from Nan.

"Things always happen in threes," Nan was saying dully. "First Mr. Arnott coming—then the wire from Tim, and now this."

She stood twisting the thin paper mechanically. Life had suddenly changed from a sane and cheerful thing into a sort of tortuous maze, where sorrow and death and desolation stalked hand-in-hand. She thought of Mrs. Marraby as she had last seen her—a woman in the prime of life with a hard, handsome face—and it seemed impossible that she could really have been the mother of three small boys motherless. Nan's cold face was suddenly swept by emotion.

"Oh, the poor little boys!" she said brokenly. "I must go at once, of course I must. . . . Say there is no answer to the telegram. . . . Turn away from the strewn table. She was thankful for this diversion to push aside her own sad thoughts, for the time being at any rate.

She packed and looked up trains, and swallowed a cup of tea which the little maid brought. She felt less unhappy than she had done since she first saw John Arnott. The shock of her stepmother's death had taken her out of herself and given her something else to think about. She felt that she could not quickly enough get to those three little motherless boys and try to comfort them.

It was only when she was really in the train and racing out of London that she remembered what Arnott had said about his sister's home being so near to Leavenworth. She caught her breath with a gasp.

Was this the hand of fate again?—she closed her eyes giddily; she tried not to think that it was anything but coincidence, and yet in her heart she knew it was something stronger; she felt as if invisible hands were drawing her on—kind hands that tried to help and comfort with promises of a brighter future.

The train only stopped once on the journey down into Hertfordshire; Nan went to the window then and looked out. Already town was left behind, but the air smelt fresher and sweeter; a small flower bed out in the platform was filled with primroses—Nan drew a deep breath—she said that she hated the country, but it was not really true—nobody could hate the country, especially in the spring.

The guard blew his whistle—the train had begun to move slowly away when the door of Nan's carriage was flung open and a man pre-announced himself in a friendly way.

He mumbled inelegantly on to the seat and looked across at Nan with smiling apology.

"I'm sorry—I nearly missed it. He stopped, and a little frown crossed his brows. "I beg your pardon, but the air smelt fresher and sweeter. The blood flew to Nan's face.

"I am, but . . ."

The man held his hand to her.

"My name is Seldon," he said. "You remember me, and I and Peter Lyster had dinner together the last night he was in England."

"There will be another fine instalment to-morrow."

# Beauty of Figure

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## BLOCKADE LEAKS?

### M.P.s Who Want to Know Why Supplies Are Reaching Germany.

I HEAR there may be some straight talking in the House to-morrow on the subject of our blockade of Germany. I know of several M.P.s who have armed themselves with rather striking facts and figures about supplies reaching Germany, and Lord Robert Cecil will have a damaging case to meet.

### National Service.

OUT OF the chaos which prevailed at St. Ermin's during the early days of the inauguration of the National Service movement order is gradually emerging. Whether, however, National Service as originally conceived will be adopted is quite another proposition.

### A New Idea.

I HEAR that a new idea is finding favour in certain important circles. This is that masters and men in particular industries should be approached to supply a given number of men, the method to be left absolutely to themselves.

### Irish Solicitor-General's Seat.

MR. JAMES CHAMBERS, K.C., the M.P. for South Belfast, will be obliged to seek re-election on his appointment as Solicitor-General. I hear he may be opposed by a prominent member of the Unionist Party.

### Cardinal Logue's Appeal.

THE WAR OFFICE have sent an urgent request to Cardinal Logue for more Roman Catholic chaplains for the front. The Cardinal has issued a stirring appeal to the young priests of Ireland to offer their services. "I am aware," he says, "that there is a great scarcity of priests in Ireland, but it is a question whether parochial claims should not be sacrificed on behalf of men in momentary danger of death."

### The Dean's Sermon.

TO PREACH? Or not to preach? That was the question which confronted the Dean of Durham last week. The announcement that Dr. Henson was to occupy the pulpit at the City Temple on Lady Day created a considerable flutter in the ecclesiastical dovecots of London. Some of his critics thought he ought to be excommunicated. Undeterred by opposition, the by no means gloomy Dean has fulfilled his pulpit engagement. And now we can begin to take an interest in the war.

### The New Vegetable.

AT A WEST END restaurant I have been served for the past few days with a yellow vegetable cut into small squares, which I found appetising. On the third day I had the curiosity to ask what it was. To my surprise I learnt that it was a mangel-wurzel.

### "Mr. Britling" in the Pulpit.

SOME CLERICS are nothing if not up-to-date. I find the following announcement in a Church paper: "Owing to the Rev. T. A. Lacey's detention in America, his lectures on 'Mr. Britling' at All Saints', Margaret-street, are postponed until after Easter." It was at All Saints', by the way, that a course of Lenten lectures on Nietzsche was delivered last year by Father Figgis.

### A Great Latinist.

MR. LACEY is one of the most accomplished scholars in the English Church. The late Pope Leo XIII. admired his attainments, and once described him as "the greatest Latinist in Europe." It is, I believe, an open secret that had that Pontiff been able to recognise the validity of Anglican orders, Mr. Lacey would have occupied a position in the Vatican library.

# TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

### A Fred Walker for the Nation.

I AM GLAD that another Fred Walker has been secured for the nation. The works of that gifted but comparatively short-lived artist whom George du Maurier immortalised in "Trilby"—are all too few. "The Plough," however, was purchased by Lady Wernher at Christie's Red Cross Sale for £5,400, and she will present it to the nation. Its appropriate place would appear to be the Tate Gallery, where "The Harbour of Refuge" used to hang until the home of British art became a Government office.

### "Beautiful Tell-Tale Eyes."

THIS is the title of a song, composed by Miss Ivy St. Hellier, which I heard sung by Miss Carmen Hill at the Coliseum. Sir James Barrie was sitting near me, and I afterwards learnt from Miss Hill that he had sent her a charming note, saying how much he had enjoyed her singing.

### War-Time Fashion.

I SAW a well-known woman dining at the Ritz with a large party. She was very simply dressed in a grey ninon frock with touches of vieux rose. I noticed she wore her white kid gloves throughout the meal. Is this a new fashion occasioned by much war work?

### Roughing It.

I HEAR of people who, having lent their manions to the Red Cross, will spend Easter in a labourer's cottage on their own estate, and in many cases the lodge at the gates is also requisitioned for family use.

### "Hanky Panky."

"HANKY PANKY," probably the most postponed production in London, was put on at the Empire on Saturday night. It proved to be worth waiting for. It is true that there isn't enough plot in it to furnish material for a curtain raiser. But that is amply compensated for by the meriment which ripples and bubbles along unchecked until the final fall of the curtain. Music, mounting, dresses—all are of the best.



Mr. Joe Nightingale.

### Mr. Hale's Success.

THE PRINCIPAL mirth-provider is, of course, Mr. Robert Hale. I shall not soon forget his impersonation of Miss Ethel Levey. It was an epic performance. Then there were Mr. Joe Nightingale, who scored one of the greatest successes of the evening, Mr. Talbot O'Farrell and Mr. Ralph Lynn.

### A Revue Debutante.

IT WAS Miss Phyllis Dare's first appearance in revue. She looked more "Tina" like than ever, and sang "One Hour of Love with You"—perhaps the prettiest number in the piece—with all her accustomed charm. Miss Unity More was a model of dancing daintiness—though a wee bit nervous—and Miss Mabel Funston and Miss Winifred Ellice helped things along wonderfully. Miss Sadrenne Storri was unable to appear, but Miss Phyllis Monkman, at ten minutes' notice, flew over from the Comedy on to the Empire-stage and charmed us all.

### Rumour Busy.

RUMOUR was more myriad-tongued than ever yesterday and Saturday night. During the interval in "Hanky Panky" at the Empire I was talking to a group of men. They were discussing the revue, of course? Not at all. The wildest and most sensational rumours were being retailed. It would be true to say that, within ten minutes, they were "all over the Empire." How these silly stories get afloat I am at a loss to determine. Why anybody troubles to repeat them is even more incomprehensible.

### "All Plums."

IF YOU HAVE no liking for the super-revue you might do worse than turn into the New Middlesex—as I did the other night. "All Plums," the new New Middlesex revue, which Mr. Herbert Leonard has both written and produced, is a bright little entertainment, and the burlesqueries of Mr. Bruno—one of the most portentous of lord mayors—would by themselves make the show worth seeing.

### A March Morning.

SPRING SEEMS to be at death-grips with winter just now. Yesterday morning the vernal goddess had the best of it—for a few hours. It was one of those fine, cold, clear mornings, when walking becomes a positive pleasure. As I walked—or, rather, "rambled"—through Kensington Gardens I noticed many happy young people enjoying the unwonted sunshine, and, like the Ancient Mariner, when he saw the "happy living folk" after his dreadful voyage, I "blessed them unaware."

### What Rationing Means.

MRS. PEMBER REEVES told me when I last visited Grosvenor House that no one in England has any idea of the trials compulsory rationing would entail on shoppers—in other words, to the mothers of the country. It would impose physical and mental wear and tear on them which they could ill withstand, and which might prove fatal to their health.

### Economy and Red Tape.

I HEARD recently of an officer who had to travel several miles every week on duty. He rode a push-bike and sent in a claim for 1½d. a mile expenses. As this was promptly and decisively "set upon" by the pay department the officer now takes a taxicab. This costs ten times more, but is cheerfully paid, because it is "in accordance with regulations."

### "Canada in Khaki."

I HAVE BEEN favoured with a peep at one of the first copies from the press of "Canada in Khaki," that wonderful war book, which everybody will be rushing to buy next week. It is to be on sale a week to-day—Monday, April 2—and if you are wise you will order your copy from your newsagent at once.

### A Cheap Book, in Dear Days.

THE PRICE is half a crown, which in these days of dear paper seems a ridiculously small amount for such splendid value. The beautiful illustrations alone are worth much more.



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### "Not Running."

PEOPLE who had not read their *Daily Mirror* carefully were distressed yesterday when they discovered—after long waiting at windy corners—that their accustomed omnibus was not running. I am told that nearly three hundred omnibuses are put out of action, and that we are not yet at the end of our trials!

### A New Book.

I HEAR that Mr. Roland Pertwee, the young dramatist, who is now at the front attached to the motor transport service, is bringing out a new book soon. I trust it will contain more of his delightful stories of the peer who collects antiques.

### Big Push—in the Park.

I SAW a group of ragged urchins at military drill in Hyde Park. They were commanded by a leader with the dirtiest face imaginable, whom they addressed as "Aig." The sudden onslaught of a bulldog was the signal for ignominious retreat. I regret to say that "Aig" himself was the first to show a clean pair of heels.

### The Latest Fad.

TO UP to date a pretty girl must have one of the new lacquered cans. Among the most attractive I have seen is a long black one, to the top of which is attached a silver chain bag. THE RAMBLER.

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## SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

LONDON COMBINATION.—Crystal Palace (h) 4, Southampton 2; Queens' Park Rangers (h) 2, Brentford 2; Arsenal (h) 2, Portsmouth 1; Fulham (h) 7, Watford 2; West Ham (h) 3, Tottenham Hotspur 0; Millwall 2, Clapton Orient (h) 1; Chelsea 2, Luton (h) 0.

LANCASHIRE SECTION.—Burnley (h) 1, Port Vale 0; Bury (h) 0, Manchester City 0; Liverpool (h) 4, Rochdale 0; Manchester United (h) 4, Bolton Wanderers 3; Preston North End (h) 4, Oldham Athletic 2; Stockport County (h) 5, Everton 1; South (h) 4, Blackburn Rovers 1.

MIDLAND (SUBSIDIARY SECTION).—Bradford City (h) 2, Bradford 2; Sheffield Wednesday 4, Sheffield United (h) 3; Birmingham (h) 1, Leicester Forest 1; Notts County (h) 2, Notts Forest 2; Huddersfield 2, Leeds City (h) 0; Barnley 5, Rochdale County (h) 3.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—Aberdeen (h) 0, Celtic 0; Clyde (h) 2, Dundee 0; Falkirk (h) 2, Hearts 1; Hamilton (h) 2, Ayr United 1; Hibernians (h) 1, Partick Thistle 0; Kilmarnock (h) 0, Dumbarton 0; Rangers (h) 4, Raith Rovers 3; St. Mirren (h) 0, Morton 0; Third Lanark 2, Motherwell (h) 0; Airdrie 5, Queen's Park (h) 0.

LONDON MIDDLESSEX LEAGUE.—Hendon 5, Airdrie 2; C.A.F. 13, Boreham 0; Exmouth 4, Alton 3; Whitehawk 2, Spionhills 1.

CLUB MATCHES.—Coventry City (h) 3, Aston Villa 2; RUGBY UNION MATCHES.—United Hospitals (h) 25pts, R.F.C. Reading, 0; A.S.C. Grove Park, 44; Gloucester Youngmen 0 (at Richmond); R.M.A., Woolwich (h) 20, Canadians 6; R.N. Depot 13, Australian Depot 6 (at Richmond); A.S. Sydneyham 14, Australians 12 (at Bellingham); St. Thomas' and Middlesex Hospitals (h) 25pts, R.F.C. 0.

NORTHERN UNION MATCHES.—Leigh (h) 9 pts, Wigan 4; St. Helens Recreation (h) 7, Widnes 6; Broughton Rangers 15, Oldham 5; Dewsbury 12, Rochdale Hornets (h) 6; Salford (h) 12, Warrington 12; Bramley (h) 17, Hunslet 2; Halifax 5, R. Swinton 6; Bradford Northern (h) 29, York 0; Halifax 5, Brighouse Rangers (h) 10; Royal Navy 10, Leeds (h) 13.

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12.45.—HOATLY SELLING 'CHASE. 2m.—WISTON II. (4-1, W. Smith), 1; Beddellow (10-1), 2; Carson (100-7), 3, 171 ran.

1.50.—PENSURST HURDLE HANDICAP. 2m.—The Binkins (8-1), 2, 12 ran.

2.0.—HAXTED HURDLE H'CAP. 2m.—SIKH (7-3, C. Hawkins), 1; Maria's Trade (9-8), 2; Loomian (10-1), 3, 13 ran.

2.35.—TILGATE DOUBLE H'CAP 'CHASE. 3m.—SIMON THE LEPPER (100-30, Ivor Anthony), 1; Blockade Runner (13-8), 2; Gribthorpe (10-1), 3, 7 ran.

3.0.—BALDWIN'S HURDLE H'CAP. 2m.—LORD HEATH (4-1, Parliament), 1; Glats (6-1), 2; Flotation (9-2), 3, 15 ran.

3.25.—LULLENDEN OPEN 'CHASE. 2m.—BERNSTEIN (8-1, Reardon), 1; Reat Grit (5-2), 2; Ballincarroona (5-2), 3, 6 ran.

## TO-DAY'S BOXING.

At the Ring matinee the principal bout will be fifteen rounds between Sergeant Jack Irving and Tommy Noble. Two Welsh boxers, Arthur Bishop and Lewis Williams, will appear at the National Sporting Club in a fifteen rounds bout.

The bantam-weight champion, Young Fox, will oppose Young Charles in a fifteen rounds contest at Holborn Stadium.

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# Daily Mirror

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Wiremen hurrying along the long trail of "duck walks."—(Official.)



Our artillery is always moving, though under difficulties.—(Official.)



Portable forge, which can be carried by four men.—(Official photograph.)

There is every indication that the German withdrawal on the western front is now complete, and that the next phase will be a battle in which the Allies will test the strength of the Hindenburg line. The Kaiser has sent the old Marshal a telegram congratulating

—HOW WE FOLLOWED THE RETREATING HUN.



Clearing the ground for a howitzer position from which to hammer the Boche.—(Official photograph.)



Pulling a big gun into position. All of them have had to be moved up.—(Official.)



Signboard pointing the way for pack transport at Courcellette.—(Official.)

ing him on the withdrawal, which he describes as "a new page of glory." But, whatever the Kaiser may say, the retreat has been a great success for us, as it is a confession to the world by the enemy that we are too strong for them.